AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AND

THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

TO EXTEND THE

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ON COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SIGNED MARCH 24, 1999, AS EXTENDED

The Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

Having regard to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences on Cooperation in Science and Technology signed March 24, 1999, as extended (hereinafter "the MOU"),

Noting the highly valuable and successful scientific cooperation between the two Parties under the MOU from its inception; and

Desiring to continue joint projects within the framework of the MOU to strengthen the scientific and technological potential of the Parties;

Have agreed to extend the term of the MOU to remain in force for the duration of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on Science and Technology Cooperation signed December 16, 1993, as extended, unless terminated in accordance with Paragraph 3, Article VII of the MOU.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature, with effect from March 24, 2009.

DONE at Washington, in duplicate, this U day of December, 2009, in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Cleven Koom

FOR THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY

OF SCIENCES: